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COLORADO SPRINGS CONFERENCE*

FOURTH GENERAL SESSION

(Friday afternoon, June 4)

President Hadley presided.

The Secretary read the report of the War Service Committee for the year ending June 1, 1920. Thereupon the motion that the report be adopted was made, seconded and carried.

Dr. Montgomery then moved that the various committee reports of which printed copies had been distributed be officially received and filed. The motion was carried.

Dr. Andrews read the report of the Finance Committee. He stated that the formal report covered the accounts of the American Library Association for the last year, and the Budget for 1920. A supplemental report covers the accounts up to the transfer of the funds from the custody of the former treasurer, Mr. Roden, to the new treasurer, Mr. Tweedell. Dr. Andrews stated that the accounts of Mr. Roden had been found correct and that the balances shown at the date of transfer had been transferred to Mr. Tweedell, and acknowledged by him. Dr. Andrews explained that the Executive Board had taken possession of the War Service Fund and that in justice to himself and the Finance Committee he wanted it understood that the supplementary report covering the activities carried on with that Fund was not the work of the Finance Committee. A motion that the report be received and filed was made, seconded and carried.

The President then introduced Dr. Bishop, chairman of the Committee on revision of the constitution, who said: "A special meeting of the American Library Association was called at Chicago in January of this year to consider the revision of the constitution. That meeting de-

voted two sessions to the matter, and a transcript of the proceedings was published in the January Bulletin. At Chicago the Association went into the committee of the whole for the purpose of discussing informally the draft presented at that meeting by the Committee on revision. It spent two full sessions in discussing this revision informally. That committee did not report to the Association. The situation is simply this. The proposed revision has been discussed informally and certain expressions of the sense of the Association sitting as a committee of the whole have been made on many of these provisions. The Committee on revision has been governed by the wishes of the Chicago meeting. There are only two points in which the Committee felt it due to itself to express dissent from the Chicago action. These are noted in the printed report which is now before the Association for action. In order to be carried, any of these changes must receive a three-fourths vote of the members present and voting."

The proposed draft of the constitution was then read, discussed, and voted on section by section. The following modifications were made in the constitution proposed by the Committee on revision. (Bulletin 14: 120-26.)

A motion to substitute "interested" for "engaged" and to strike out "and others after election by the Executive Board" in Section 3 carried by a vote of 103 to 23.

Voted that Section 9 be adopted as recommended by the Committee excepting that "executive officer" be substituted for "librarian" in line 7.

Voted that "vice-president" in line 8 of section 11 be made "vice-presidents;" that "1920" in line 10 read "1921;" that "three years later" be substituted for "in 1923" in line 16, and that "four years later" be substituted for "in 1924" in line 17.

*This report was unintentionally and regrettably omitted from the published proceedings. Separates of this report are available for those who wish them.

Voted that there shall be added to Section 12 the sentence, "The election of a member of the Executive Board to the office of President, Vice-President, or Treasurer shall create a vacancy in the Board." Voted to add the word "ranking" before the word "vice-president" in line 8 of Section 12.

Voted 77 in favor and 55 against adopting section 15 as printed.

Voted to amend Section 16 by substituting the word "Council" for "Executive Board" in lines 4 and 5 and by substituting "Council" for "Board" in lines 6 and 7.

In Section 19 the word "vice-president" in lines 2 and 3 was made "vice-presidents."

In Section 20 line three the phrase "of the Association" was inserted before the word "and."

In line 4 of Section 23 "meetings" was changed to "meeting." In line 5 of Section 23 the words "may be called by the President" and were added after the word "meetings." Voted to add to Section 23, "Twenty members shall constitute a quorum of the Council."

Voted to add to Section 24, "and no such resolutions other than votes of thanks shall be adopted without such reference."

Voted to add after the word "for" in line 2 of Section 25 the word "general." Voted to add after "inviolable" in line five the sentence "Gifts for special purposes accepted by the Association shall be kept in separate funds which shall be invested and kept inviolable." Voted to add after the word "direct" in line six the words "in accordance with any conditions made by the donors and in consonance with the approved policy of the Association."

On recommendation of the committee Section 26 was adopted as follows:

The Council may by vote affiliate with the American Library Association any national society having purposes similar to those of the American Library Association.

The dues of affiliated societies shall be based upon the number of its members who are not also members of the American Library Association as specified in the by-laws.

Voted to add the words "or Council" at the end of line 3 of Section 27.

Voted to insert the word "annual" after the word "successive" in line 3 of Section 28.

The constitution was unanimously approved as amended.

The meeting then adjourned.

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U. S. Department of agriculture. Department bulletins.

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De Clifford, N. F. Egypt the cradle of freemasonry. N. Y., Macoy.

O'Connor, E. M. Analytical index of the works of Nathaniel Hawthorne. Boston, Houghton, 1882.

Waite, A. E. Secret tradition in masonry. N. Y., Rebman Co., 1911.

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